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1. WHILE SOME KEY ELEMENTS OF SITUATION REMAIN UNCERTAIN,

OUR PRESENT THINKING ON ISSUES RAISED IN REFTEL IS AS FOLLOWS:

2. FORMAT OF FIRST DAY'S DISCUSSION: WE WOULD PREFER THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER NOT BE THE ONLY SPEAKER TO GIVE AN EXTENDED PRESENTATION, BUT THINK ONE OR TWO OTHERS WOULD BE APPROPRIATE. APPEARS TO US THAT YOUR SUGGESTION OF DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE OF EC AND JAPANESE MINISTER WOULD BE SOUND PROGRAM. HOWEVER, BASIC DECISIONS ON FORMAT ARE OBVIOUSLY PROVINCE OF CHAIRMAN CALLAGHAN AND SECGEN VAN LENNEP.

3. ENERGY ISSUE. WE THINK THAT BRIEF ORAL REPORT BY VAN ELSLANDE ON PRECEDING DAY'S IEA MINISTERIAL WOULD BE ADVISABLE SOMETIME DURING THE FIRST DAY. WE DO NOT THINK AN EXTENDED DISCUSSION OF ENERGY ISSUES WOULD BE APPROPRIATE.

4. FOLLOW-ON WORK ON COMMODITIES AND ON GENERAL NORTH/SOUTH ISSUES. BASED ON CONCLUSION OF MAY 6-7 XCSS, OUR VIEW IS THAT BOTH UK PROPOSAL FOR HIGH LEVEL GROUP ON COMMODITIES AND VAN LENNEP'S PROPOSAL FOR BROAD STUDY BY XCSS OF RELATIONS WITH LDCS SHOULD BE DECIDED AT TIME OF MINISTERIAL (OPTION BEING RETAINED FOR PROCEDURAL STEP OF LAUNCHING THESE GROUPS TO BE TAKEN OUTSIDE MINISTERIAL PLENARY EITHER BY COUNCIL OR BY BRIEF XCSS). WHILE NATURE OF MINISTERIAL ACTION ON THESE PROPOSALS IS NOT YET CLEAR, WE THINK IT WOULD BE PRUDENT FOR MAXIMUM PREPARATORY WORK TO BE DONE IN ADVANCE, SO THAT MINISTERIAL PLENARY DECISIONS COULD BE GIVEN APPROPRIATE EFFECT WITHOUT PLENARY ITSELF BEING REQUIRED TO WRESTLE WITH ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS. WHILE WE UNDERSTAND VAN LENNEP'S VIEW (OECD PARIS 12562 PARA 2) THAT LANGUAGE RATHER THAN PROCEDURES SHOULD BE FOCUS OF PRESENT EFFORTS, WE WOULD ENVISAGE POSSIBILITY THAT LANGUAGE MIGHT REFER TO FOLLOW-ON ACTIVITIES.

5. DECLARATIONS OR COMMUNIQUE. WITHOUT TEXTS OF POSSIBLE DECLARATION OR DECLARATIONS WE CANNOT DETERMINE WHETHER THESE COULD STAND SEPARATELY OR SHOULD BE FOLDED

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TOGETHER OR INTO COMMUNIQUE. BRITISH DRAFT CONTAINED USOECD 12421 IS NOT IN OUR VIEW AN ACCEPTABLE BASIS FOR EITHER SEPARATE DECLARATION OR COMMUNIQUE. DRAFT CONTAINS LANGUAGE DEVOID OF SPECIFICS WHICH WOULD SET UP LDC EXPECTATIONS DESTINED FOR DISAPPOINTMENT. THUS, WE ARE BACK TO SQUARE ONE ON DRAFTING. IN THIS SITUATION WE DO NOT YET HAVE A POSITION ON WHETHER SEPARATE STATEMENTS SHOULD EMERGE FROM EACH DAY'S SESSION. HOWEVER, WE

THINK IT PRUDENT TO PLAN ON BASIS OF SEPARATE STATEMENTS.  
IN THE EVENT SEPARATE STATEMENT IS TO BE ISSUED AT  
CONCLUSION OF FIRST DAY, DRAFTING GROUP WILL NEED TO BE  
PREPARED TO WORK OUT LANGUAGE IN ADVANCE FOR PRESENTATION  
TO MINISTERS AT END OF DAY. SHOULD WE ULTIMATELY  
DECIDE AGAINST SEPARATE PUBLIC STATEMENT ON FIRST DAY, WE  
AGREE THAT MINISTERIAL CONCURRENCE WITH CHAIRMAN'S SUMMA-  
TION COULD PROVIDE GUIDANCE FOR HANDLING PRESS.

6. TRADE PLEDGE. WE AGREE WITH YOU THAT TRADE PLEDGE  
FITS INTO BROAD CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK OF FIRST DAY'S DIS-  
CUSSION (AS CONCRETE MEASURE OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC  
SOLIDARITY TO PRESERVE OPEN TRADING SYSTEM). WE SHOULD  
LEAVE OPEN POSSIBILITY OF RENEWING PLEDGE DURING FIRST  
DAY. INGERSOLL

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